

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

KRISHNA OKHANDIAR, an individual,  
and REMILIA CORPORATION LLC, a  
Delaware limited liability company,  
Plaintiff(s),

vs.

JOHN DUFF III, an individual, HENRY  
SMITH, an individual, and MAXWELL  
ROUX, an individual,  
Defendant(s).

Case # 2:23-cv-01409-APG-EJY

**VERIFIED PETITION FOR  
PERMISSION TO PRACTICE  
IN THIS CASE ONLY BY  
ATTORNEY NOT ADMITTED  
TO THE BAR OF THIS COURT  
AND DESIGNATION OF  
LOCAL COUNSEL**

FILING FEE IS \$250.00

Lea E. Gierut  
(name of petitioner)

, Petitioner, respectfully represents to the Court:

1. That Petitioner is an attorney at law and a member of the law firm of

K&L Gates

(firm name)

with offices at 1 Park Plaza, 12th Floor  
(street address)

Irvine

(city)

California

(state)

92614

(zip code)

(949) 623-3606

(area code + telephone number)

lea.gierut@klgates.com

(Email address)

2. That Petitioner has been retained personally or as a member of the law firm by

Henry Smith, Maxwell Roux and John Duff III to provide legal representation in connection with  
[client(s)]

the above-entitled case now pending before this Court.

3. That since December 8, 2022, Petitioner has been and presently is a  
 (date)  
 member in good standing of the bar of the highest Court of the State of California  
 (state)  
 where Petitioner regularly practices law. Petitioner shall attach a certificate from the state bar or  
 from the clerk of the supreme court or highest admitting court of each state, territory, or insular  
 possession of the United States in which the applicant has been admitted to practice law certifying  
 the applicant's membership therein is in good standing.

4. That Petitioner was admitted to practice before the following United States District  
 Courts, United States Circuit Courts of Appeal, the Supreme Court of the United States and Courts  
 of other States on the dates indicated for each, and that Petitioner is presently a member in good  
 standing of the bars of said Courts.

Court	Date Admitted	Bar Number
n/a		

5. That there are or have been no disciplinary proceedings instituted against petitioner,  
 nor any suspension of any license, certificate or privilege to appear before any judicial, regulatory  
 or administrative body, or any resignation or termination in order to avoid disciplinary or  
 disbarment proceedings, except as described in detail below:

None.

6. That Petitioner has never been denied admission to the State Bar of Nevada. (Give particulars if ever denied admission):

None.

7. That Petitioner is a member of good standing in the following Bar Associations.

None.

8. Petitioner has filed application(s) to appear as counsel under Local Rule IA 11-2 (formerly LR IA 10-2) during the past three (3) years in the following matters: (State "none" if no applications.)

Date of Application	Cause	Title of Court Administrative Body or Arbitrator	Was Application Granted or Denied
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(If necessary, please attach a statement of additional applications)

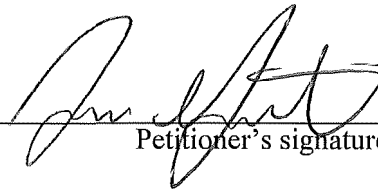
9. Petitioner consents to the jurisdiction of the courts and disciplinary boards of the State of Nevada with respect to the law of this state governing the conduct of attorneys to the same extent as a member of the State Bar of Nevada.

10. Petitioner agrees to comply with the standards of professional conduct required of the members of the bar of this court.

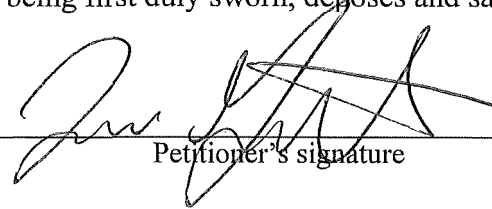
11. Petitioner has disclosed in writing to the client that the applicant is not admitted to practice in this jurisdiction and that the client has consented to such representation.

That Petitioner respectfully prays that Petitioner be admitted to practice before this Court  
FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS CASE ONLY.

STATE OF California )  
COUNTY OF Orange )

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Petitioner's signature

Lea E. Gierut, Petitioner, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:  
That the foregoing statements are true.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Petitioner's signature

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

15th day of DECEMBER, 2023.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public or Clerk of Court

**DESIGNATION OF RESIDENT ATTORNEY ADMITTED TO  
THE BAR OF THIS COURT AND CONSENT THERETO.**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Local Rules of Practice for this Court, the Petitioner  
believes it to be in the best interests of the client(s) to designate Dawn L. Davis,  
(name of local counsel)  
Attorney at Law, member of the State of Nevada and previously admitted to practice before the  
above-entitled Court as associate resident counsel in this action. The address and email address of  
said designated Nevada counsel is:

3883 Howard Hughes Parkway, Suite 1100,  
(street address)  
Las Vegas, Nevada, 89169,  
(city) (state) (zip code)  
(702) 784-5200, ddavis@swlaw.com,  
(area code + telephone number) (Email address)

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

State of California

County of ORANGE

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this 15TH  
day of DECEMBER, 2023, by \_\_\_\_\_

LEA ELIZABETH GIERUT,  
proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the  
person(s) who appeared before me.



(Seal)

Signature Connie-Marie Santiago Pruitt

By this designation the petitioner and undersigned party(ies) agree that this designation constitutes agreement and authorization for the designated resident admitted counsel to sign stipulations binding on all of us.


### APPOINTMENT OF DESIGNATED RESIDENT NEVADA COUNSEL

The undersigned party(ies) appoint(s) Dawn L. Davis as  
(name of local counsel)  
his/her/their Designated Resident Nevada Counsel in this case.

DocuSigned by: <u>John Duff III</u> D0E31DC43126492... (party's signature)	DocuSigned by: <u>Henry Smith</u> D8FD7FA29BA04AB... (party's signature)
<u>John Duff III</u> (type or print party name, title)	<u>Henry Smith</u> (type or print party name, title)
	DocuSigned by: <u>[Signature]</u> (party's signature)
	<u>Maxwell Roux</u> (type or print party name, title)

### CONSENT OF DESIGNEE

The undersigned hereby consents to serve as associate resident Nevada counsel in this case.



Designated Resident Nevada Counsel's signature

13329

Bar number

ddavis@swlaw.com

Email address

APPROVED:

Dated: this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE



## THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA CERTIFICATE OF STANDING

December 21, 2023

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that according to the records of the State Bar, LEA ELIZABETH GIERUT, #346884 was admitted to the practice of law in this state by the Supreme Court of California on December 2, 2022 and has been since that date, and is at date hereof, an ACTIVE licensee of the State Bar of California; and that no recommendation for discipline for professional or other misconduct has ever been made by the Board of Trustees or a Disciplinary Board to the Supreme Court of the State of California.

THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA



Vicky Avila  
Custodian of Records